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THE COVER

On a bright, lazy afternoon 20 years ago a trim TCRT Standard 1811 departs Mahtomedi south bound on a remnant of the old Stillwater line, carrying green classification signals for a 2nd following section. Classic Snelling-built standards such as these plied this famed White Bear Lake branch until abandonment in 1951. Due to single-track operation strict railroad rules were adhered to on this division. Some MTM members may nostalgically recall this rail fan's special two decades ago -- a scene soon to be faithfully recreated with the rebirth of the Como-Harriet Glen Line.

YONDER COMES THE TROLLEY!

Our spring building season at Lake Harriet Glen is fast approaching! The MTM will need all of the help and wholehearted support it can get to bring this marvelous historic venture to fruition this summer! After two years of arduous planning, detail and hard work, a little light begins to appear at the end of the tunnel. April will herald renewed activity at the site; 40 tons of rail are scheduled for delivery -- we will need track personnel, painters, shovel men and a whole host of other positions filled in order to move forward with the work. We have all kinds of duties; for men and women; any age; light work and heavy work. Sign up today! Call George Isaacs at 484-7512 and volunteer -- become a part of this historic Minnesota transportation happening.

INVENTORY TIME!

With the impending operation at the Harriet Glen a near reality, it is time to take stock of our "trolley resources". We are, therefore, asking the membership to volunteer any information on the present whereabouts of various TCRT car parts-- so that we might have some idea as to the spare components available should we need them for repair of 1300 or the possible restoration of another car. This would include anything associated with a TCRT car: controlers, whistles, fare registers or boxes, seats, reflectors, headlights, gates, poles, wheels, trucks, doors, windows, markers, etc., etc., etc., (you name it, we're interested!) Call or write Frank Sandberg, 3315 Skyview Drive, Burnsville, Mn. 55378, 890-2830.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The April general membership meeting of MTM has been slated for 8 P.M., Thursday, April 15, 1971 at the streetcar! Yes, you heard correct -- the meeting will be at '1300' in the Minnesota Transfer roundhouse on Cleveland Avenue in St. Paul.

Members are urged to attend a program which will include an interesting series of contemporary railway films.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

It has been called to our attention that certain errors appeared in the recently published MTM membership directory. Members are asked to insert the following corrections and additions:

BRYCE CRAWFORD, 1545 Branston St., St. Paul, Mn. 55108, phone, 373-2966;
 LEON W. GREEN, 1374 Midway Parkway, St. Paul, Mn. 55108, phone, 644-0496;
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 789-4297; SAMUEL G. REMELY, 619 Chestnut St., Cloquet, Mn. 55720, phone,
 218-879-9084; D. P. BEEDON, 1790 N. Lexington Ave., St. Paul, Mn. 55113,
 phone, 488-2844; ARIE KORTHOF, 5909 Wooddale Ave. So., Edina, Mn. 55424,
 phone, 929-1960.

DAN PATCH 100 RESTORATION SET FOR '71

Full restoration of MTM's venerable 'Dan Patch' #100 -- believed to be the oldest internal combustion locomotive in North America -- has begun. In anticipation of a possible future on-line operation. The '100' will be restored to its original M.ST.P. R. & D.E.T. CO. (Minneapolis, St. Paul, Rochester & Dubuque Electric Traction Co.) livery. Project coordinator and straw boss Dick Corrin is calling for volunteers to help in this most worthwhile venture. There will be need for painters, members with mechanical and electrical skills, and for general clean-up and minor repair work.

Please give Dick a call at 771-5067 -- take part in this interesting and historic work. Help this celebrated loco shine again!

HERE ARE THE APRIL-MAY HARRIET CREW SCHEDULES -- FORWARD, HO!

Listed below are the main MTM project crews for April-May. As in 1970 the normal work day is 9 A.M. - Noon and 1 P.M. - 4 P.M. Saturdays and 1 P.M. - 6 P.M. Sundays. Members concerned should review the schedule for possible conflicts. If any, please advise Geo. Isaacs. After suitable alterations are made crew members are asked to strictly adhere to the schedule. Work dates may be switched between individual fellow members but the foreman for each date must be notified prior to the work day. All museum details are at Lake Harriet except where noted.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>SCHEDULE</u> <u>FOREMAN</u>	<u>DETAIL MEMBERS</u>
April 17	Saturday	Geo. Isaacs	Bill Cordes, John Diers, Ron Heiderich, Stewart Mitchell
April 18	Sunday	Mark Anderson	Jeff Poehler, Ray Benson, Art Bergstrom, Dave Norman
April 24	Saturday	Russ Olson	Barney Olson, Bob Phillip, Jim Harrison
April 25	Sunday	Loren Martin	DuWayne Shogren, L. A. Peletier, Dennis Seerer
May 1	Saturday	Norm Podas	Geo. Kiewel, Larry Knott, Keith Lindberg
May 2	Sunday	Geo. Isaacs	Jim Harrison, Bill Olsen, Jim Foster

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>FOREMAN</u>	<u>DETAIL MEMBERS</u>
May 8	Saturday	Herb Pinske	Ray Benson, Dave Rubin, Dick Corrin, John Diers
May 9	Sunday	Herb Pinske	Jeff Poehler, Bill Cordes, Art Bergstrom, Stewart Mitchell
May 15 (at Minnehaha Depot)	Saturday	Frank Sandberg	Cy Svobodny, Mike Mackner, Phillip McCauley, Walter Sweet
May 15 (at Harriet)	Saturday	John Stein	Bill Olsen, Russ Olson, Art Fjone
May 16	Sunday	Mark Anderson	Jim Fuller, Jim Foster, Dave Norman, Grant Arneson
May 22	Saturday	Loren Martin	John Diers, DuWayne Shogren, Dennis Seever.
May 23	Sunday	Geo. Isaacs	Robert Phillips, L. A. Peletier, Warren Ahlgren
May 27	Saturday	to be arranged	Volunteers needed - call Geo. Isaacs

CREW FOREMEN

George Isaacs 484-7512
 Mark Anderson 825-7851
 Herb Pinske 724-4533
 Loren Martin 789-4297

Frank Sandberg 890-2830
 Norm Podas 588-9643
 Russ Olson 881-1019
 John Stein 459-1321

.....Again, thanks to you all.

G. K. Isaacs

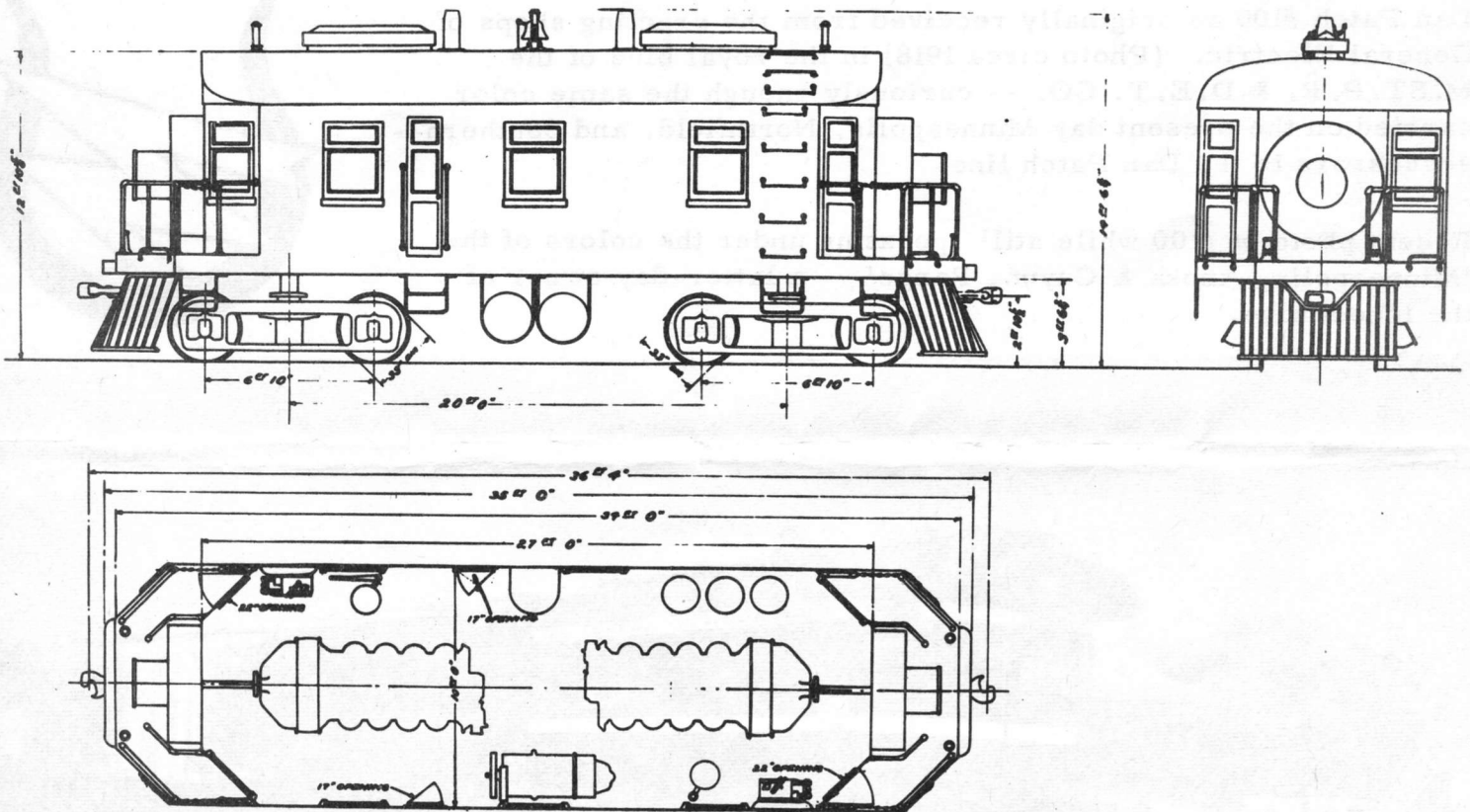
MINNEHAHA DEPOT OPENING

Opening of the quaint Minnehaha Depot for the '71 summer season is set for Memorial Day weekend. The historic depot is open to the public for tour each Sunday during the summer from Memorial Day to Labor Day. This activity is staffed by MTM members - without whose volunteer assistance the building cannot continue to remain open. Therefore, a schedule of individuals has been drawn up which should staff the depot throughout the summer. Additional volunteers are also needed for the cleanup activity on May 15 and certain other dates. Depot schedule coordinator is Judy Sandberg (890-2830). Please call Judy and offer your assistance on the open dates. An afternoon at the depot can be both pleasant and rewarding. So, if you have a Sunday open, please donate a few hours of your time. Judy has also announced a unique depot contest this year -- with a PRIZE OF 6 MONTHS FREE MTM MEMBERSHIP FOR THE MEMBER COLLECTING THE LARGEST AMOUNT OF PUBLIC DONATIONS AT THE DEPOT ON A SUNDAY DURING THE SEASON!

SCHEDULE

May 15	(Work weekend - Depot cleanup)		
May 30	Memorial Day opening (volunteers are needed!)		
June 6	Dave Norman	June 20	Frank Sandberg
June 13	Ray Benson	June 27	Loren Martin
July 4	(Volunteers needed!)		
July 11	Bill Cordes		
July 18	Jim Harrison	July 25	Russ Olson
August 1	Bill Olson		
August 8	Byron Olson	August 22	Mike Mackner
August 15	Cy Svobodny	August 29	Geo. Isaacs
September 5	Labor Day close - volunteers needed.		

(Note: Members -- if conflict with the above schedule exists locate your own replacement and advise Judy Sandberg of the schedule change.)





Dan Patch #100 as originally received from the erecting shops of General Electric. (Photo circa 1918) in the royal blue of the M. ST. P. R. & D. E. T. CO. -- curiously enough the same color carried on the present day Minneapolis, Northfield, and Southern-- successors to the Dan Patch line.



Recent photo of #100 while still operating under the colors of the 'Minneapolis, Anoka & Cuyuna Range' -- a latter-day owner of the locomotive.





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